



The Owl - May 2021

One of our school priorities is to embed our values in all aspects of school life. When thinking about priorities, the focus is often on the children and the staff in school - and so it should be. However, 'all aspects' does not just refer to those of us in the building itself and what goes on between drop off and pick up. School life includes our whole community – parents and governors too. I wanted to say a huge thank you to our **Friends of Reed School** team who are showing amazing **aspiration** for our school in understanding and supporting our visions for further improvement and raising money to help our goals become a reality.

The enthusiasm and commitment to the summer fayre being organised by FoRS is an inspiration to all of our children here who are constantly learning that hard work can pay off. By seeing our parents pulling together, the children have excellent role models in how to create a vision, make a plan and work together to get there. They are well on the way to creating what will be a wonderful day!

The committee members of FoRS I am sure, would be the first to say that there may be a few bumps in the road along the way - but the **resilience** we strive to instil in our children, again, is being modelled by our parents' determination to succeed!

A huge thank you for all that you do Team FoRS and I look forward to sharing wonderful photographs and news of the fayre in the July Owl.



Best wishes for a sunny half term break,

Mrs Wittich



Do come and support the school on the day by joining in with the fun. If you can offer any help with the event - FoRS would very much appreciate it!

DIARY DATES

June 2021

7th INSET day – school closed to pupils

14th Last Forest School until the autumn term

29th Sports Day

July 2021

2nd Fill a Jar for FoRS

3rd Strawberry tea at St Mary's Church treasure hunt starts from school 12 – 4pm

8th Transition Day – Y4s visit new schools, moving on time in school for Nursery to Year 3 to meet new classes and teachers.

9th – No running club

13th and 14th Summer Show

15th End of year pupil reports out to parents

16th Whole school trip to Whipsnade Zoo

17th Summer Fayre

21st Open Afternoon 2pm – a chance to come in to see your child's learning (Restrictions permitting)

22nd Leavers' Assembly 12.45pm

22nd Term ends at 2pm

Super support

We had a very comfy day in our PJs! Thank you for bringing bottles for our tombola at the fayre.



Routines after half term

With restrictions hopefully continuing to ease, after half term, we will be resuming our usual drop off and pick up times. Those of you who have been part of Reed for more than a year, may be able to remember what used to happen – I had to remind myself!



The gate will be unlocked at **8.45am**. Children will on arrival, stand outside their classroom giving you the chance to speak to the class teacher if needed. Alternatively, you can leave your child in the care of the teacher if you need to carry on with your day. The bell will be rung at **8.50am**. At this point **all** children should be on the playground. The children will go inside with their teacher at 8.50am to complete their Early Work which is a really important way to start the day. It means that as soon as the register has been taken at 9.00am, the children are ready to engage fully in their first lesson.

We will keep our one-way system in place for now.

The gates will be locked at **9.00am**. If your child arrives after this time, you will need to go to the main entrance to be let in through the front door.

Please be aware that any pupil arriving after 9.00am but before 9.10am will be marked as 'late'. Any pupil arriving after 9.10am will be marked as 'late after the register has closed' which is recorded as unauthorised.

At the end of the day, the gate will be opened at **3.15pm**. All children apart from those staying for clubs or wrap around care will be collected from outside their classroom door. Any children still with their teacher at 3.20pm, will be taken to wait in the office area for collection from the main entrance.

Don't forget our wrap around care, we have spaces when needed, just contact Mrs Lasselin for more details.



Forest School

We have had a lovely introduction to Forest School this term. It has been a fabulous way to start the week and has played a big part in our wellbeing plans for the return to school.



Look on your Google Classroom stream for more photos!





Pounds for Plants



Thank you to those of you who have used your green fingers to get growing plants to sell for FoRS. Children have set up their own stalls to sell their plants like Felix, others have found friends and neighbours to sell to. Well done and keep selling!



Early Years have been busy growing plants too. You should spot some runner beans and sunflowers soon!



Infant class thoughts on Forest School

I like exploring in Forest School.

Isabelle

The most fun so far has been making bird houses. The second best is playing 1,2,3 where are you?

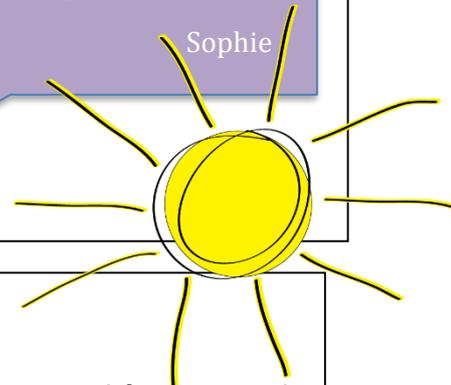
Harry

I like looking at nature in Forest School, we are bug detectives!

Molly

We had some clay and used it to make an animal. We used natural things to decorate it. We play games before we make things.

Sophie



And finally...



Don't forget as the weather gets warme Please remember to send fresh water in transparent sports top bottles each day, supply a sunhat and sun screen. Please also don't rely on the weather staying nice all day, coats must be brought to school just in case.